AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the present patent application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile device, comprising:

a positioner configured to determine geographic position information related to the device; and

a transceiver assigned a unique mobile number by a wireless communication system in which the device operates, ~~and which is~~ said transceiver being communicatively coupled to the positioner~~, the transceiver~~ and configured to receive position requests directed to the mobile number and to transmit the position information in response to the position requests, wherein the transceiver continuously transmits a tone in response to a received position request if the positioner is unable to determine the position information, and further wherein the tone is used for determining the position information.

2. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the positioner comprises a GPS receiver.

3. (Canceled) The device of claim 1, wherein the transceiver is configured to continuously transmit a tone in response to a received position request if the positioner is unable to determine the position information.

4. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the positioner and the transceiver are included on a removable card installed in the device.

5. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the transceiver is a wireless transceiver.

6. (Original) The device of claim 5, wherein the wireless transceiver is configured to transmit and receive information using at least one of the following communication protocols: CDMA, TDMA, GSM, and WCDMA.

7. (Original) The device of claim 1, further comprising a first power source and a second power source, wherein the first power source is configured to supply power to the device, and wherein the second power source is configured to continuously supply power to the positioner and to the transceiver.

8. (Original) The device of claim1, further comprising a first power source and a second power source, wherein the first power source is configured to supply power to the device, including the positioner and the transceiver, and wherein the second power source is configured to supply power to the positioner and the transceiver whenever the first power source is unavailable.

9. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the positioner is a positioner IC and the transceiver is a transceiver IC.

10. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the positioner and transceiver are both incorporated in a location IC.

11. (Currently Amended) A wireless communication system comprising at least one network node and a plurality of wireless devices, the wireless communication system configured to associate a mobile number with each device, each device comprising:

a positioner configured to determine position information related to the device; and

a transceiver communicatively coupled to the positioner, ~~the~~ said transceiver being configured to receive position requests directed to the respective mobile number assigned to the particular device and to transmit the position information in response to the position requests, wherein the transceiver continuously transmits a tone in response to a received position request if the positioner is unable to determine the position information, and further wherein the wireless communication system uses the tone to determine the position information.

12. (Original) The wireless communication system of claim 11, wherein a transceiver within a particular device is activated when a call is placed through the wireless communication system to the mobile number associated with the device, and wherein the location transceiver is configured to obtain position information from the positioner, and to continuously transmit the position information to the network node, as soon as the location transceiver is activated.

13. (Original) The wireless communication system of claim 12, wherein the network node is configured to route the position information to a location control center.

14. (Original) The wireless communication system of claim 13, wherein the location control center is configured to generate a map, and to locate a respective device on the map, based on received position information from the device.

15. (Canceled) The wireless communication system of claim 14, wherein the transceiver is configured to continuously transmit a tone in response to a position request if the positioner is unable to determine the position information

16. (Canceled) A method of locating a mobile device in a wireless communication network, comprising: associating an identification number with the device; placing

a call to the identification number, when the location of the device is needed; receiving position information from the device in response to the call; and establishing the location of the device based on the position information.

17. (Canceled) The method of claim 16, wherein placing the call to the device causes a location transceiver in the device to become active and to perform steps comprising: receiving the call to the identification number associated with the device; obtaining the respective position information from a positioner in the device; and transmitting the position information.

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18. (Canceled) The method of claim 16, wherein locating the device further comprises: routing the position information to a location control center; generating a map of the area proximate the location of the device; and locating the device within the map.

19. (New) A method of determining geographic position information of a mobile device that is communicatively coupled to a wireless communication system comprising:

receiving a position request at the mobile device;

determining the geographic position information at the mobile device; and

if the geographic position cannot be determined at the mobile device, continuously transmitting a tone from the mobile device to the wireless communication system that in turn uses the tone to determine the geographic position information via triangulation.